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OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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Inventor, Patent Number, Country Author, Title, Name of Document	Issue Date	Concise Explanation of the Relevance
Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 2001-129261 (cited in the office action dated Jan. 31, 2006 of corresponding Japanese application)	May 15, 2001	In JP2001-129261-A, the object of the invention is to provide a database and text communication system capable of developing an untiring story rich in reality. JP2001-129261-A discloses that a free mail input is accepted in dialog based on a text, and the inputted free mail is used as options for a subsequent answer. English abstract is attached hereto.
Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. JP2002-041756 (cited in the office action dated Jan. 31, 2006 of corresponding Japanese application)	Feb. 8, 2002	In JP2002-041756-A the object of the invention is to provide a questionnaire system which has a flexible questionnaire contents and a wide selection of services for respondents. There is a description in the disclosure that "a respondent instructs to terminate a questionnaire page C3 shown in Fig. 12" in paragraph 0040, and this suggests that it is possible to know whether a respondent is entering answers into a questionnaire page. English abstract is attached hereto.
Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 2002-207856 (cited in the office action dated Jan. 31, 2006 of corresponding Japanese application)	Jul. 26, 2002	JP2002-207856-A points out to the problem that "the quality of questionnaire surveys is reduced as mistakes are induced when responding to questionnaires", because "there is no means to specify logical dependence among the question items such as question 2 having a meaning only when a positive answer is provided in question 1 in the form function of HTML used for questionnaire surveys on the internet or intranet". English abstract is attached hereto.